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Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicant submits herewith information that the Office may wish to consider in examination of the subject application.

The material listed on the accompanying form PTO/SB/08a was cited in parallel proceedings in Switzerland. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider these references with respect to the present application.

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